THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No arrest has been made in this case till 30.4.2007 and the same is still under investigation with the State Police.

(c) "Compensation is paid only after a decree is awarded on claim filed in the Railway Claims Tribunal by the victims or by dependents of the deceased passengers. No compensation claim has been filed so far. However, Railways have also announced *ex-gratia* relief of Rs. 10 lakhs to the next of kin of each of the deceased and of Rs. 50,000/-to each of the injured victims. So far, Rs. 131.75 lakhs have been disbursed as *ex-gratia*."

Rail Tariff Regulatory Authority

3330. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of his Ministry to establish a Rail Tariff Regulatory Authority to put railway fares on the rational basis, because overcharged freight migrates to road and overcharged passengers to air; and

(b) if so, by when it is expected to be established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir. There is no such proposal at present.

(b) Does not arise.

Cuisines of international standard in trains

3331. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plan to offer different cuisines in the running trains and with international standard for cleanliness; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Varied regional cuisines are being